

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-8, 11-16, 18, 19 and 22-24 were pending in the present application. No claims have been amended or cancelled, and no new claims have been added.

The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the Advisory Action of 12.11.06, indicating that the Applicants have overcome all of the art rejections.

Double Patenting

Filed herewith is a terminal disclaimer to obviate the Double Patenting rejection over US 7,101,085. The Applicant's believe that this should overcome the only remaining rejection, and place the application in condition for allowance.

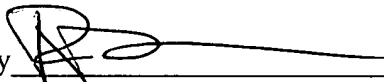
CONCLUSION

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 146712016200. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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